

	OSD Brainstorming 12/17/11	OWS 13 Demands	Contract for the Am. Dream
Electoral Reform	<p>01.; 07.; 14.;16.;17 Get money out of politics by corporations</p> <p>07. Establish an independent "peoples filter" to review and oversee campaign donations and campaign finance reform</p> <p>14. End corporate personhood</p> <p>16. Make lobbying illegal</p> <p>17. Get money out of politics</p>	<p>10. Bring American elections up to international standards of a paper ballot precinct counted and recounted in front of an independent and party observers system.</p>	<p>10. Strengthen Democracy. We need clean, fair elections -- where no one's right to vote can be taken away, and where money doesn't buy you your own member of Congress. We must ban anonymous political influence, slam shut the lobbyists' revolving door in D.C., and publicly finance elections. Immigrants who want to join in our democracy deserve a clear path to citizenship. We must stop giving corporations the rights of people when it comes to our elections. And we must ensure our judiciary's respect for the Constitution. Together, we will reclaim our democracy to get our country back on track.</p>

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<p>Electoral Reform</p>	<p>01. - 04. & .17- Elimination of the Corporate State. The merger of the American political system of republican democracy with the economic system of capitalism has resulted in the establishment of a corporate government of, by and for the benefit of domestic and multinational corporations. Therefore, the 99% of the American People demand an immediate ban on all direct and indirect private contributions of anything of value, to all politicians serving in or running for federal office in the United States. This ban shall extend to all individuals, corporations, "political action committees," "super political action committees," lobbyists, unions and all other private sources of money or things of value, including but not limited to, promises of employment. Private sources of funding political campaigns from concentrated sources of wealth have corrupted our political system. Therefore, all private funding of political campaigns shall be replaced by the fair, equal and TOTAL public financing of all federal political campaigns.</p> <p>02. Abrogation of the "Citizens United" Case. The immediate abrogation, even</p> <p>03. Elimination of All Private Benefits and "Perks" to Public Servants. The 99% The term "specifically regulate" shall mean service or employment on</p> <p>04. Term Limits. Members of the United States House of Representatives sha</p> <p>17. Abolish the Electoral College and Enact Uniform Election Rules. The 99% d</p>	<p>07. We want an end to all corporate and financial influences in the political process in the U.S.</p>

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<p>Electoral Reform</p>	<p>01. Publicly Financed Elections Getting money out of politics is the core disease we must fix. If we do not get this, all other corrections will be only temporary.</p> <p>All elections should be financed using public money with no ties to any specific person or special interest. Wealthy candidates must not be able to buy elections; everyone must adhere to a cap.</p> <p>Currently, the Supreme Court believes that "Money" equals "Speech," and that it is against first amendment rights to stop anyone from spending money on a candidate or proposition. Unfortunately, it seems now there is no other form of speech. Money has replaced honest debate and discussion. 94% of candidates who won spent more money than their opponents. Generally, no televised debates occur. The political parties exist largely to launder money to avoid campaign finance restrictions. Campaign fundraising is commonly co-opted by corporate players to allow them to amass a war chest and distribute those monies to various candidates that will approve their government contracts. (For</p>	<p>10 a. A constitutional amendment that fixes our broken electoral system by 1) completely removing campaign contributions from the political process; 2) requiring all elections to be publicly financed; 3) moving election day to the weekend to increase voter turnout; 4) making all Americans registered voters at the moment of their birth; 5) banning computerized voting and requiring that all elections take place on paper ballots.</p> <p>10 b. A constitutional amendment declaring that corporations are not people and do not have the constitutional rights of citizens. This amendment should also state that the interests of the general public and society must always come before the interests of corporations.</p>

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Debt Forgiveness		<p>11. Immediate across the board debt forgiveness for all. Debt forgiveness of sovereign debt, commercial loans, home mortgages, home equity loans, credit card debt, student loans and personal loans now! All debt must be stricken from the "Books." World Bank Loans to all Nations, Bank to Bank Debt and all Bonds and Margin Call Debt in the stock market including all Derivatives or Credit Default Swaps, all 65 trillion dollars of them must also be stricken from the "Books." And I don't mean debt that is in default, I mean all debt on the entire planet period.</p>	

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<p>Debt Forgiveness</p>	<p>15. Foreclosure Moratorium. Adoption of a plan similar to President Clinton's proposal to end the mortgage crisis. The privately owned Federal Reserve Bank shall not continue to lower interest rates for loans to banks that are refusing to loan to small businesses and consumers. Instead, the federal government shall buy all mortgages in foreclosure and refinance these debts at an interest rate of 1% or less because that is the interest rate the Federal Reserve charges the banks that hoard the cash despite ample liquidity. These re-financed debts will be managed by the newly established Consumer Financial Protection Bureau and an independent foreclosure task force appointed and overseen by Congress and the Executive Branch to determine, on a case-by-case basis, whether foreclosure proceedings should continue based on the circumstances of each homeowner and the propriety of the financial institution's conduct when originating the loan</p>	

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<p>Debt Forgiveness</p>	<p>02m. Force banks to modify upside down mortgages and avoid foreclosures. This was supposed to happen under the TARP program but very little has been done.</p>	

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Financial Sector Reform	<p>03. - 06. End the Federal Reserve or restructure it so it is not owned or beholden to banks. No more secret fed meetings, full transparency.</p> <p>04. Prosecute those responsible for the financial collapse that began in 2008</p> <p>05. Reinstall Glass-Steagall Act of 1932 which provided for the separation of commercial and investment banks</p>	<p>12. Outlaw all credit reporting agencies.</p>	<p>09. Tax Wall Street Speculation. A tiny fee of a twentieth of 1% on each Wall Street trade could raise tens of billions of dollars annually with little impact on actual investment. This would reduce speculation, "flash trading," and outrageous bankers' bonuses -- and we'd have a lot more money to spend on Main Street job creation.</p>

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<p>Financial Sector Reform</p>	<p>14. & 16. Banking and Securities Reform. Immediate reenactment of the Glass-Steagall Act and increased regulation of Wall Street and the financial industry by the SEC, FINRA, CFTC, the Justice Department and the other financial regulators including the recently established Consumer Financial Protection Bureau. We further demand an immediate investigation by the Justice Department into the potential criminal practices of the Securities and Banking industry that directly led to the collapse of markets, bank bail-out and firm failures in 2007-2008. To facilitate the aforementioned student loan debt relief, banks and securities firms shall pay a small financial transaction fee, also known as the "Robin Hood Tax", on each and every stock trade and other financial transactions without passing these costs onto consumers. Uniform regulations will be enacted to specifically limit what banks may charge consumers for ATM fees and/or the use of debit cards and other so-called miscellaneous fees. There will be an end to the \$4 billion a year "hedge fund loophole" which permits certain individuals engaged in financial transactions.</p> <p>16. Ending the Federal Reserve Bank. The immediate formation of a non-partis</p>	

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<p>Financial Sector Reform</p>	<p>02a. Financial Industry must be Closely Regulated, Taxed This step won't work unless #1 also is solved. Even if you fix this for a while, it will slip back into corruption if the banks and financial industry continues to call the shots through massive campaign funding.</p> <p>02b. Banks must not be gamblers. Banks must have tighter regulation and work for a flat, monotonic marketplace, (i.e. not the unstable market speculators prefer) exactly what gamblers do not want.</p> <p>02c. Derivatives Market must be regulated. Consider outright ban on derivatives. No insurance for securities or moving risk around as was done with the derivatives market.</p>	<p>04. & 05. Reinstate the Glass-Steagall Act, placing serious regulations on how business is conducted by Wall Street and the banks.</p> <p>5. Investigate the Crash of 2008, and bring to justice those who committed any crimes.</p>

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Civil/Human Rights	<p>08.& 13. Veto NDAA, Internet censorship (SOPA- Protect IP bills), Patriot Act</p> <p>13. First Amendment compliance – No laws to impede the First Amendment</p> <p>18. Equality (Int’l Declaration of Human Rights and our Constitution and Bill of Rights)</p>	08. Racial and gender equal rights amendment.	

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<p>Civil/Human Rights</p>	<p>20. Reinstitution of Civil Rights. Since the tragic events of September 11, 2001, legislation has been enacted to curtail the privacy and civil rights of American citizens. Foremost among these laws is the Patriot Act of 2001 and more recently, the National Defense Authorization Act wherein the government may or may not require the indefinite detention of U.S. citizens suspected of planning or assisting "belligerent" acts. The Patriot Act allows for the increased surveillance of American citizens and CIA access to confidential credit reports, school records, communication records, and other personal information, without consent or notification. We call upon the United States government to repeal those portions of the Patriot Act that limit the civil rights of American citizens, withdraw sections 1031 & 1032 of the National Defense Authorization Act and immediately stop all abuses of the Foreign Surveillance Intelligence Act which allows extrajudicial eavesdropping on U.S. citizens without oversight.</p>	<p>02. & 05. We want an end to institutional racism and race- and class-based disparities in access to, and quality of, labor, education, health care, criminal defense, political empowerment, technology and healthy food.</p> <p>05. We want an immediate end to police brutality and the murder of oppressed people in the U.S., particularly in the New Afrikan (Black), Latino, immigrant and underclass communities and among those protesting in this nation.</p>

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<p>Civil/Human Rights</p>		<p>10c. A constitutional amendment that will act as a "second bill of rights" as proposed by President Frankin D. Roosevelt: that every American has a human right to employment, to health care, to a free and full education, to breathe clean air, drink clean water and eat safe food, and to be cared for with dignity and respect in their old age</p>

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War	<p>09. & 10. 25% cut in defense spending to be applied to public education and other public services.</p> <p>10. Bring home all troops and defense contractors</p>		<p>08. End the Wars and Invest at Home. Our troops have done everything that's been asked of them, and it's time to bring them home to good jobs here. We're sending \$3 billion each week overseas that we should be investing to rebuild America.</p>

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War	<p>11. & 18. Ending of Perpetual War for Profit. Recalling all military personnel at all non-essential bases including but not limited to Europe, South Korea, Japan, Australia and Cuba and refocusing national defense goals to address threats posed by the geopolitics of the 21st century, including terrorism and limiting the large scale deployment of military forces to those instances where Congressional approval has been granted. New laws must be enacted to counter the Military Industrial Complex's mission of perpetual war for profit. The United States has engaged in war after war only to later to discover that the pretexts relied upon to enter these wars were false or exaggerated to generate profits for the Military Industrial Complex and other corporations and individuals. The annual savings created by updating our military posture and ending perpetual war will be applied to the social programs outlined herein to improve the quality of life for human beings rather than facilitating and assisting corporations engaged in mass-murder for profits distributed to the top 1% of wealth owners.</p> <p>18. Ending the War in Afghanistan and Care of Veterans. An immediate withdraw</p>	<p>08. We want an end to imperialist wars of aggression and sending our youth off to kill and die to enforce the economic interests of big oil and other corporate concerns seeking new resources to exploit, new markets to open for sale of their goods and services and as an impetus to keep from addressing domestic ills.</p>

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<p>War</p>	<p>03 Convert War Machine to Sustainable Energy Development</p> <p>Currently, 60% of discretionary budget is spent on wars and the "military industrial complex." We have two wars ongoing which are providing little if any value, yet are costing us some \$40 billion a week or more, and impacting the military forces in terms of fatalities, injuries, PTSD, etc. plus hundreds of bases world wide. If we do nothing, this area will continue to eat up a unrealistic portion of our budget and keep us in wartime austerity.</p> <p>Take the profit out of war. Military Industrial Complex companies that get war contracts must be nonprofit and strictly regulated. As a result, wars-for-profit will stop because they are simply not profitable. Any company that receives more than 50% of its revenue from the government or from companies that receive revenue from the government must be nonprofit, not traded on wall street, and must not contribute to candidates, run campaigns, etc. (already the case if goal #1 is realized.)</p> <p>End the current wars, including use of private mercenary contractors. (See nonprofit MIC, above)</p>	<p>06. Reorder our nation's spending priorities (including the ending of all foreign wars and their cost of over \$2 billion a week). This will re-open libraries, reinstate band and art and civics classes in our schools, fix our roads and bridges and infrastructure, wire the entire country for 21st century internet, and support scientific research that improves our lives.</p>

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Fair Tax Policy	11. Raise taxes on the wealthy; Bail out society, not banks		07. Return to Fairer Tax Rates. End, once and for all, the Bush-era tax giveaways for the rich, which the rest of us -- or our kids -- must pay eventually. Also, we must outlaw corporate tax havens and tax breaks for shipping jobs overseas. Lastly, with millionaires and billionaires taking a growing share of our country's wealth, we should add new tax brackets for those making more than \$1 million each year.

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<p>Fair Tax Policy</p>	<p>05. A Fair Tax Code. A complete reformation and simplification of the United States Tax Code to require ALL individuals and corporations to pay a fair share of a progressive, graduated income tax by eliminating loopholes, unfair tax breaks, exemptions and unfair deductions, subsidies and ending all other methods of evading taxes. The current system of taxation unjustly favors the wealthiest Americans, many of whom pay fewer taxes to the United States Treasury than citizens who earn much less and pay a much higher percentage of their incomes in taxes. Any corporation or entity that does business in the United States and generates income from that business in the United States shall be fully taxed on that income regardless of corporate domicile or they will be barred from earning their profits in the United States. This will allow honest companies and individuals who pay their fair share in taxes to take over those markets in the United States economy. Businesses that pay taxes in other countries will no longer be permitted to use that excuse to justify their failure to pay federal income tax in the United States.</p>	

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<p>Fair Tax Policy</p>	<p>02i. Increase capital gains taxes, esp. on short-term trades.</p> <p>02j. Treat gambling winnings on wall street as regular income and not as capital gains, unless each investment is held at least 30 days (or some similar period of time). The average short-term computer trader holds securities for an average of 11 seconds, which contributes to market instability.</p> <p>02L. Eliminate off-shore tax havens and require a minimum tax on corporations that do business in the U.S.</p>	<p>1. Eradicate the Bush tax cuts for the rich and institute new taxes on the wealthiest Americans and on corporations, including a tax on all trading on Wall Street (where they currently pay 0%).</p>

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Green NRG	12. Free energy	05. Begin a fast track process to bring the fossil fuel economy to an end while at the same bringing the alternative energy economy up to energy demand.	02. Create 21st Century Energy Jobs. We should invest in American businesses that can power our country with innovative technologies like wind turbines, solar panels, geothermal systems, hybrid and electric cars, and next-generation batteries. And we should put Americans to work making our homes and buildings energy efficient. We can create good, green jobs in America, address the climate crisis, and build the clean energy economy.
Employment	15. Jobs Act	03. Guaranteed living wage income regardless of employment	05. Make Work Pay. Americans have a right to fair minimum and living wages, to organize and collectively bargain, to enjoy equal opportunity, and to earn equal pay for equal work. Corporate assaults on these rights bring down wages and benefits for all of us. They must be outlawed.

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Employment	<p>09. Jobs for All Americans. Passage of a comprehensive job and job-training act like the American Jobs Act to employ our citizens in jobs that are available with specialized training. The American People must be put to work now by repairing America's crumbling infrastructure and building other needed public works projects. In conjunction with a new jobs act, reinstatement of the Works Progress Administration, Civilian Conservation Corps and similar emergency governmental agencies tasked with creating new projects to provide jobs to the 46 million People living in poverty, the 8.6% unemployed and 16.2% who are underemployed.</p>	<p>01. We want full employment with a living wage for all people who will work, and for employment to be enforced as the right which it is.</p>

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Green NRG	<p>03 Convert War Machine to Sustainable Energy Development</p> <p>Currently, 60% of discretionary budget is spent on wars and the "military industrial complex." We have two wars ongoing which are providing little if any value, yet are costing us some \$40 billion a week or more, and impacting the military forces in terms of fatalities, injuries, PTSD, etc. plus hundreds of bases world wide. If we do nothing, this area will continue to eat up a unrealistic portion of our budget and keep us in wartime austerity.</p> <p>Take the profit out of war. Military Industrial Complex companies that get war contracts must be nonprofit and strictly regulated. As a result, wars-for-profit will stop because they are simply not profitable. Any company that receives more than 50% of its revenue from the government or from companies that receive revenue from the government must be nonprofit, not traded on wall street, and must not contribute to candidates, run campaigns, etc. (already the case if goal #1 is</p>	
Employment	<p>04b. Reduce job off-shoring by corporations by eliminating tax incentives and requiring all companies to openly report hiring / outsourcing practices, so that consumers can "Buy American."</p>	

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Fair Trade & Economic Development		01. Restoration of the living wage. This demand can only be met by ending "Freetrade" by re-imposing trade tariffs on all imported goods entering the American market to level the playing field for domestic family farming and domestic manufacturing as most nations that are dumping cheap products onto the American market have radical wage and environmental regulation advantages. Another policy that must be instituted is raise the minimum wage to twenty dollars an hr.	
Healthcare		02. Institute a universal single payer healthcare system. To do this all private insurers must be banned from the healthcare market as their only effect on the health of patients is to take money away from doctors, nurses and hospitals preventing them from doing their jobs and hand that money to wall st. investors.	04. Offer Medicare for All. We should expand Medicare so it's available to all Americans, and reform it to provide even more cost-effective, quality care. The Affordable Care Act is a good start and we must implement it -- but it's not enough. We can save trillions of dollars by joining every other industrialized country -- paying much less for health care while getting the same or better results.

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<p>Fair Trade & Economic Development</p>	<p>13. End Outsourcing and Currency Manipulation. Subject to the elimination of corporate tax loopholes and exploited exemptions and deductions as stated in point five, limited tax incentives will be permitted to entice businesses to hire our citizens rather than outsource jobs. Conversely, an "outsourcing tax" should be introduced to discourage businesses from sending jobs overseas and tax incentives should be offered to companies that invest in reconstructing the manufacturing capacity of the United States. This country must again competitively produce everyday products in the United States rather than importing them from countries like China and India. To do business in the United States, corporations must make slightly less profit by hiring American workers and paying them a living wage rather than maximizing every penny of profit to the detriment of our society. Implementing immediate legislation (see e.g. H.R. 639) to encourage China (which undervalues its currency by an estimated 25% to 40%) and our other trading partners to end currency manipulation, reduce the trade deficit and end</p>	<p>09. We want a bottoms-up approach to economic development and labor-capital relations in the U.S.</p>
<p>Healthcare</p>	<p>06. Healthcare for All. Medicare for all or adoption of a universal single-payer healthcare system. The broken Medicaid program will be eliminated as redundant. Affordable healthcare shall be a human right.</p>	

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Fair Trade & Economic Development		2. Assess a penalty tax on any corporation that moves American jobs to other countries when that company is already making profits in America. Our jobs are the most important national treasure and they cannot be removed from the country simply because someone wants to make more money
Healthcare	04e. Outcome-based compensation for care providers and gradual migration to Single-payer healthcare nonprofit insurance (i.e. "medicare for all").	7. Join the rest of the free world and create a single-payer, free and universal health care system that covers all Americans all of the time.

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Education		04. Free college education.	03. Invest in Public Education. We should provide universal access to early childhood education, make school funding equitable, invest in high-quality teachers, and build safe, well-equipped school buildings for our students. A high-quality education system, from universal preschool to

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Education	<p>10.& 12 Student Loan Debt Relief and Refinancing. Our students are more than \$1 trillion in debt from education loans and have fewer employment prospects due to the financial collapse directly caused by the unbridled and unregulated greed of Wall Street. Ensuring a higher education, particularly in the fields of science, engineering, technology, green energy and mathematics, is no longer a luxury for the few and must now be viewed as a national security issue. Banks receive virtually interest free loans from the Federal Reserve Bank and then charge upwards of 6% interest to our students for profit. Because education is the only way to ensure our future success as a nation, interest on student debts must be immediately reduced to 2% or less and repayments deferred for periods of unemployment. Subject to the provisions of point five herein, the tax code will be amended so that employers will receive a student loan repayment tax deduction for paying off the loans of their employees. Outright grants should be provided to those students who pursue and obtain degrees in the sciences, green energy, mathe</p> <p>12. Emergency Reform of Public Education. The education system in the Unite</p>	<p>04. We want affordable and equal access to higher education for all and access to education that teaches the true history of colonialism, chattel slavery, repression of organized labor, the use of police repression and imprisonment as tools of capitalist exploitation, and the perpetuation of imperialism in the development and maintenance of modern U.S. power systems and corporate financial markets.</p>

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Education		<p>06. Reorder our nation's spending priorities (including the ending of all foreign wars and their cost of over \$2 billion a week). This will re-open libraries, reinstate band and art and civics classes in our schools, fix our roads and bridges and infrastructure, wire the entire country for 21st century internet, and support scientific research that improves our lives.</p>

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Infrastructure		06. One trillion dollars in infrastructure (Water, Sewer, Rail, Roads and Bridges and Electrical Grid) spending now.	01. Invest in America's Infrastructure. Rebuild our crumbling bridges, dams, levees, ports, water and sewer lines, railways, roads, and public transit. We must invest in high-speed Internet and a modern, energy-saving electric grid. These investments will create good jobs and rebuild America. To help finance these projects, we need national and state infrastructure banks.
Environmental Protection		07. One trillion dollars in ecological restoration planting forests, reestablishing wetlands and the natural flow of river systems and decommissioning of all of America's nuclear power plants.	
Border Policy		09. Open borders migration. anyone can travel anywhere to work and live	

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Infrastructure		
Environmental Protection	<p>07. Protection of the Planet. Human greed, exponentially magnified by corporations, is destroying the only habitable planet known to humanity. Multinational corporations have purchased so much influence in Congress (and other governments in the world) that they can secure the passage or blockage of regulations to maximize profits and minimize conservation of the environment. The evidence of climate change due to human activity can no longer be denied by rational people. New comprehensive laws and regulations must be immediately enacted to give the Environmental Protection Agency, and other environmental protection regulators, expanded powers and resources to shut down corporations, businesses or any entities that intentionally or recklessly damage the environment, and to criminally prosecute individuals who intentionally or recklessly damage the environment. No corporate veil should protect any employee, officer or director of a corporation who is directly or indirectly engaged in the intentional or reckless decimation of the planet for profit. The amount of profit a corporation can mak</p>	
Border Policy		

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Infrastructure	04c. Government must work to create jobs by investing directly in infrastructure and public works projects, esp. energy infrastructure projects that stop us from expending money off-shore	06. Reorder our nation's spending priorities (including the ending of all foreign wars and their cost of over \$2 billion a week). This will re-open libraries, reinstate band and art and civics classes in our schools, fix our roads and bridges and infrastructure, wire the entire country for 21st century internet, and support scientific research that improves our lives.
Environmental Protection		8. Immediately reduce carbon emissions that are destroying the planet and discover ways to live without the oil that will be depleted and gone by the end of this century.
Border Policy		

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Workplace Justice		Demand thirteen: Allow all workers to sign a ballot at any time during a union organizing campaign or at any time that represents their yeah or nay to having a union represent them in collective bargaining or to form a union.	05. Make Work Pay. Americans have a right to fair minimum and living wages, to organize and collectively bargain, to enjoy equal opportunity, and to earn equal pay for equal work. Corporate assaults on these rights bring down wages and benefits for all of us. They must be outlawed.
Social Safety Net			06. Secure Social Security. Keep Social Security sound, and strengthen the retirement, disability, and survivors' protections Americans earn through their hard work. Pay for it by removing the cap on the Social Security tax, so that upper-income people pay into Social Security on all they make, just like the rest of us.

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<p>Workplace Justice</p>		
<p>Social Safety Net</p>	<p>It has been estimated that 94% of all federal political campaigns are won by the candidate who spends the most money on the campaign. As a result, our elected representatives spend far too much time fundraising for the next election rather than doing the People's business. This constant need for more and more money causes our politicians to labor under obscene conflicts of interest that make it impossible for them to act in the best interests of the American People. Indeed, the current system's propagation of legalized bribery and conflicts of interests has reduced our democracy to a greed driven corporatocracy run by oligarchs who represent .05 to 1% of the population but own 38% to 40% of the wealth. Through their exclusive control of politicians, the incomes of the top 1% have increased 275% since 1979 while most other salaries have remained virtually flat or declined. Meanwhile, 150,000,000 Americans live in poverty or on "low incomes."</p>	

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Workplace Justice		9. Require corporations with more than 10,000 employees to restructure their board of directors so that 50% of its members are elected by the company's workers. We can never have a real democracy as long as most people have no say in what happens at the place they spend most of their time: their job. (For any U.S. businesspeople freaking out at this idea because you think workers can't run a successful company: Germany has a law like this and it has helped to make Germany the world's leading manufacturing exporter.)
Social Safety Net	04a. & 04i. Provide adequate safety net for seniors and unemployed who have fallen out of favor by the capitalistic system. Reverse attempts to gut both Social Security and Medicare. 04i. Reopen care facilities to reduce homelessness.	3. Require that all Americans pay the same Social Security tax on all of their earnings (normally, the middle class pays about 6% of their income to Social Security; someone making \$1 million a year pays about 0.6% (or 90% less than the average person). This law would simply make the rich pay what everyone else pays.

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Federal Debt Reduction			
Internet Policy			
Affordable Housing			
End the Prison Industrial Complex			

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Federal Debt Reduction	08. Federal Debt Reduction. Adoption of an immediate plan to reduce the national debt to a sustainable percentage of GDP by 2020. Reduction of the \$15 trillion national debt to be achieved by BOTH fair progressive taxation and cuts in spending that benefit corporations engaged in perpetual war for profit, inefficient healthcare, pharmaceutical exploitation, over-prescribing medications for profit, the communications industry, the prison and military industrial complexes, banking and finance, the oil and gas industry, and all other entities that have used the federal budget as a private income stream resulting in our \$15 trillion debt. We agree that spending cuts are necessary but those cuts must be made to facilitate what is best for the People of the United States of America, not corporations who care for nothing except profit.	
Internet Policy	19. No Censorship of the Internet. The Internet and its related technologies foster free speech, innovation, and a global human consciousness. It is the only source of information not controlled by a small group of corporations that own all other media outlets. We believe that the Internet and its related technologies are the joint property of humanity, and as such, it must not be censored or regulated in any manner without the consent of the people who utilize and contribute to its vitality. We therefore demand the immediate withdrawal of the Stop Online Piracy Act or "SOPA" (H.R. 3261) and the Protect IP Act (S. 968). These bills, if enacted into law, would grant the government broad new powers to curtail speech on the internet, block domain names, track internet protocol ("IP") addresses, dramatically increase the cost of using content on the internet, chill innovation and creativity of web entrepreneurs in favor of media corporations that already own or control most online content. Furthermore, any future action by the government to censor, dismantle or interfere with, any other future technology that promotes commu	
Affordable Housing		03. We want decent and affordable housing for all people and for it to be enforced as the right which it is.
End the Prison Industrial Complex		06. We want an end to the expansion of the prison industrial complex, as a profit base – from our tax dollars – for the disposal of surplus labor and the poor.

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Federal Debt Reduction		
Internet Policy	04f. Free or low-cost Internet for everyone. Cities outfitted with WIFI in all public areas.	
Affordable Housing		
End the Prison Industrial Complex	04d. End capital punishment.	

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Distribution of Wealth			
Cannabis Reform			
Media Reform			

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Distribution of Wealth		10. We want a more equitable distribution of wealth, justice and opportunity at every level of society, reflecting the objective reality that it's the socio-economic, political, intellectual and cultural contributions of the 99 percent upon which this society stands.
Cannabis Reform		
Media Reform		

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Cannabis Reform	04e. Outcome-based compensation for care providers and gradual migration to Single-payer healthcare nonprofit insurance (i.e. "medicare for all").	
Media Reform	04h. Break up media empires. Every point of view should have a venue.	